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President's Report and Recommendations, June 26th, 1974

University of Texas at Tyler

PRESIDENT'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Board of Regents Meeting

4:00 p.m., June 26, 1974

1. Official 1974 First Summer Term Enrollment

The official 1974 first summer term enrollment is 526. A total of 534 students registered and only 8 withdrawals were recorded by the fourth class day at which time the official count is recorded and reported to Austin.

Enrollment figures reflect the following information:

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Juniors	104	89	193
Seniors	41	37	78
Post-Baccalaureate	16	17	33
Graduate	<u>39</u>	<u>183</u>	<u>222</u>
Total	200	326	526

Although I am very pleased about the overall enrollment for the first summer term, I am particularly happy that our graduate programs have attracted such a large enrollment. As you recall, we originally planned to offer our first graduate work some five years after opening. It is gratifying to know that our recommendation to the Board of Regents that selected graduate programs be initiated at an earlier date has met with this excellent response.

2. Governor's Budget Office, Legislative Budget Board, and Coordinating Board Biennial Appropriations Request Hearing

The Governor's Budget Office notified me yesterday (June 20, 1974) that the Tyler State College biennial appropriations request hearing before staff officials from the Governor's Budget Office, Legislative Budget Board, and the Coordinating Board will be conducted at 1:00 p.m., July 19, 1974 on the campus of the University of Texas at Arlington. Several state institutions including Midwestern University, North Texas State University, Texas Woman's University, the University of Texas at Dallas and the University of Texas at Arlington are scheduled during the two day period, July 18-19, for our preliminary hearing before staff officials of these three offices. As you will recall, our hearing two years ago was conducted in Tyler during the month of October.

3. Space for Classes During 1974-75 Academic Year

Although exact data are not available currently concerning space for classes during the 1974-75 academic year, the staff is anticipating a need for additional space to provide adequately for the expected enrollment. With this in mind, I wish to bring the possibility of this problem to your attention at this time. Data pursuant to this matter will be compiled very soon in order for us to know exactly what our needs will be. In the meantime, staff attention is being focused on possible solutions to this potential problem.

4. Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing

The Tyler State College Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing has been placed on the agenda for the Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System meeting to be convened in Austin at 10:00 a.m., July 16, 1974. The program committee of the Coordinating Board has a meeting scheduled in Dallas on July 11, 1974 to consider the recommendation to be made by the committee to the full Coordinating Board at its July 16 meeting. In a visit with Dr. Bevington Reed and Dr. David Kelly of the Coordinating Board staff earlier this week, I inferred that our proposal in their opinion will receive positive attention from both the program committee and the Coordinating Board.

5. New Degree Proposals

The staff has proposed four new degree programs to the Academic and Personnel Committee. These proposed degrees are as follows:

Bachelor of Liberal Studies
Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences
Bachelor of Science in Respiratory Therapy
Bachelor of Science in Health Professions

Each of these proposals will be provided for the Board of Regents at the Board meeting. These degrees have been developed with the community and junior college programs in mind and are all very significant degrees from the standpoint of providing meaningful opportunities for community and junior college students who continue their work toward a bachelor's degree. Additionally, they have been checked with the staff of the Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System, to ascertain their opinion pursuant to the appropriateness for fitting the role and scope of Tyler State College.

Approval of these degree programs by the Board of Regents
is necessary prior to our officially transmitting them to the
Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System.